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Applicant : Giannoukakis  
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Group Art Unit : 1633  
For : GENE TRANSFER TO PANCREATIC CELLS  
FOR PREVENTION OF ISLET DYSFUNCTION

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AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 18, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition to Extend Time for three (3) months, from March 18, 2003 up to and including June 18, 2003, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

List of Claims

Claims 1-30 (canceled)

31. (new) A method for reducing  $\beta$ -cell dysfunction in an individual with a pancreatic disorder, wherein said dysfunction results in diabetes, comprising: